

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:915  
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DEVELOPMENT OF HIGH YIELDING WHEAT  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Scientists of Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI), New Delhi have developed a high yielding and disease resistant wheat (*Triticum aestivum*) Variety (HD-2851); and

(b) if so, the comments of the Government on the new variety?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Wheat Variety HD-2851 (Pusa Vishesh) was released in 2004 by Delhi State Variety Release Committee for cultivation under irrigated conditions of Delhi State (NCR) for timely sowing. The variety matures in about 137 days duration with average yield potential of more than 5 tones per hectare. It is also resistant to all the three wheat rust diseases i.e. yellow, brown and black rusts.